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Docket No: 6670/0G728

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Sir:

Enclosed please find an application for United States patent as identified below:

Inventor/s (name ALL inventors):

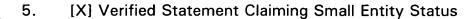
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Title: IMPROVED RAKE

including the items indicated:

- 1. Specification and <u>15</u> claims: <u>1</u> indep.; <u>14</u> dep.; <u>0</u> multiple dep.
- 2. [X] Executed declaration and power of attorney
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- 3. [x] Formal drawings, <u>7</u> sheets (Figs. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13 and 14)
  - [] Informal drawings, \_ sheets (Figs. )
  - 4. [] Assignment for recording to:

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- 1. Verified Statement (Declaration) Claiming Small Entity Status (Independent Inventor)
- 2. Verified Statement (Declaration) Claiming Small Entity Status (Small Business Concern)
- 6. [X] Check in amount of \$345.00, (\$345.00 filing; \$0 recording; \$0 surcharge)

(See attached Fee Computation Sheet)

- 7. [] Preliminary Amendment.
- 8. [] Please amend the description by inserting the following paragraph after the line containing the title on page 1:

  "This patent application claims the priority of U.S. provisional patent application No. 60/, which is incorporated herein by reference."

Priority is claimed for this application, corresponding application/s having been filed as follows:

Country:

CANADA

Number:

2,273,320

Date:

May 27, 1999

Country:

CANADA

Number:

2,287,667

Date:

October 26, 1999

The priority documents

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[x] will follow.

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